

## REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

Claims 26 and 27 have been combined into claim 26, and claim 27 is accordingly cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 26, 28 and 29 are rejected under 35 USC 102 as anticipated by Kawakita et al. This ground of rejection is deemed to be overcome in view of the foregoing amendments, since claim 27 was not encompassed by the rejection.

Claims 26-29 are further rejected under 35 USC 103 as unpatentable over Tobin et al. and Lai et al., Pang et al., Yu et al., and Renko et al. for the reasons set forth. This ground of rejection is respectfully traversed.

Even if the combined teachings of the cited references would have motivated and/or suggested using the claimed non-carbamate amine compound in a method for improving excretory potency of a urinary bladder, there would have been no reasonable expectation of success by one of ordinary skill in the art of the claimed method from the cited references.

"Obvious to try" is not the proper test of obviousness. See MPEP 2143.02.

The references relied upon by the Examiner alone or in combination do not teach or suggest these excellent effects of the compound of the present invention.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the amended claims are patentable over the prior art.

Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance is solicited.

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